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	A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFI	CATION		
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:	XX Trading, LLC		OFFICIAL USE ONLY	
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	(No. and Street)			
New York	NY		10017	
(City)	(State)	(.	Zip Code)	
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMB Kevin Callahan	ER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN	REGARD TO THIS REF	(917) 262-0388	
			(Area Code – Telephone Number)	
	B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFI	CATION		
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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Kevin Callahan	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and sup	porting schedules pertaining to the firm of
AX Trading, LLC	
of December 31 , 2017 , ar	e true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or dir	
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(k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements	
consolidation.	
☑ (1) An Oath or Affirmation.	
(m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.	
(n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or fo	und to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
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<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

## AX TRADING, LLC

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

#### AX TRADING, LLC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Member of AX Trading, LLC

#### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of AX Trading, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2017, the related statements of operations, changes in member's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended and the related notes and schedules (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements, the Company has suffered recurring losses from operations and has a net capital deficiency that raise substantial doubt about its ability to continue as going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are also described in Note 10.

The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB. We have served as the company's auditor since 2011.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement to the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis of our opinion.

#### Supplemental Information

The information contained in Schedules I and II has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Company's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the information in Schedules I and II reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the accompanying schedules. In forming our opinion on the accompanying schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the aforementioned supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

March 1, 2018 Atlanta, Georgia

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## AX TRADING, LLC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2017

#### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents Clearing Deposit Accounts Receivable Property and equipment, less accumulated depreciation of \$571,104	\$	6,061 15,695 3,061 31
Total Assets	\$_	24,848
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY		
LIABILITIES		
Other liabilities Due to Clearing Firm	_	1,599 20,531
Total Liabilities	_	22,130
MEMBER'S EQUITY	\$_	2,718_
Total Liabilities and Member's Equity	\$	24,848

### AX TRADING, LLC STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

## Revenues

Commission Income Other Income	\$ 1,902 1
Total revenues	\$1,903
Operating Expenses	
Professional fees Technology and communications Depreciation Salaries and Other Payroll Expenses Fees Paid to Clearing Broker Regulatory Fees Travel and Entertainment Rent Expense Other Operating Expenses	291,269 573,065 62 234,052 113,431 5,559 32,018 125,781 18,185
Total Operating Expenses	1,393,422
Net loss	\$ _ (1,391,519)

# AX TRADING, LLC STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Total
Balance, December 31, 2016	\$ 54,901
Capital contributions from parent - forgiveness of debt arising from expenses paid by Parent	1,339,336
Net loss	(1,391,519)
Balance, December 31, 2017	\$ 2,718

## AX TRADING, LLC STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net Loss	\$	(1,391,519)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used by operations:		
Depreciation		62
Expenses paid by Parent		1,339,336
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:		
(Increase)/Decrease in:		
Changes in accounts receivable		(2,033)
Changes in COR clearing deposit		58,454
Changes in due to clearing broker		4,002
Changes in Due to Officer		(4,455)
Changes in due to parent		<u>(4,031)</u>
Net cash used by operating activities		<u>(184)</u>
Net decrease in cash		(184)
Cash at beginning of year		<u>6,245</u>
	¢	6.061
Cash at end of year	\$	<u>6,061</u>

## SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Expenses paid by parent, contributed as capital

\$1,339,336

#### NOTE 1 - NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

#### Organization and Description of Business

AX Trading, LLC (the "Company") was a wholly owned subsidiary of AX Trading Group, LLC (the "Former Parent") until November 6, 2015 at which date it was acquired by AX Trading Group, Inc. ("Parent"). The Company is a limited liability company and was formed under the laws of the state of Delaware in May 2010. In June 2011, the Company became a broker-dealer and as such is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA").

The Company acts primarily as a trading exchange where professional traders can connect and trade with one another to help find liquidity.

#### Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared pursuant to Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act of 1934. The classification and reporting of items appearing on the financial statements are consistent with that rule. The Company claims exemption from the requirements of Rule 15c3-3 under Section (k)(2)(ii) of the rule, and consequently does not carry securities accounts for customers nor does it perform custodial functions related to their securities.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were used.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of cash and money market funds held at banks and other financial institutions.

#### Accounts Receivable

The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. Management individually reviews all delinquent accounts receivable balances and based on an assessment of current creditworthiness, estimates the portion, if any, of the balance that will not be collected. No valuation allowance was considered necessary at December 31, 2017.

#### Property and Equipment

Depreciation of property and equipment is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the respective assets. The Company depreciates computer equipment over three years and furniture and fixtures over five years.

#### Revenue Recognition

Commission revenues, as well as related brokerage and clearing costs are recognized on a trade-date basis.

#### **Income Taxes**

At December 31, 2017, the Company is a proprietorship that is wholly owned by a corporation (the "Parent") for income tax reporting purposes. Therefore, the Parent will report the entire taxable income or loss on its corporate income tax return, and no income taxes are recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

The Parent has evaluated the Company's tax positions and concluded that the Company has no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to or disclosures in the financial statements.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of the Company's financial assets, including cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses, approximate fair value because of their short maturities.

#### NOTE 3 - PAYABLE TO AND DEPOSIT WITH CLEARING BROKERS

The Company clears its transactions through COR Clearing, LLC and has a deposit of \$15,695 that is held at COR. The Company has a payable to COR as of December 31, 2017, of \$20,531 arising from clearing costs in excess of commissions earned. Minimum monthly clearing charges increased to \$10,000 during 2017.

#### NOTE 4 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment at December 31, 2017 consisted of the following:

Computer & Office Equipment Software	\$ _	165,490 405,706
Total Cost		571,196
Less Accumulated Depreciation	_	571,165

Fixed Assets, Net		31
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Depreciation expense was \$62 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### NOTE 5 - CONCENTRATIONS

The Company has been funded by its Parent in 2017. The Parent made capital contributions during 2017 of \$1,339,336 in the form of forgiveness of a payable to the Parent.

#### NOTE 6 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Legal Matters

From time to time, we may be involved in litigation relating to claims arising out of operations in the normal course of business. As of December 31, 2017, there were no pending or threatened lawsuits that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the results of our operations.

There are no proceedings in which any of our management, members or affiliates, is an adverse party or has a material interest adverse to our interest.

#### NOTE 7 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum regulatory net capital, and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to regulatory net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2017, the Company had net capital of \$(374), which was deficient of its requirement of \$5,000 by \$5,374. The ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was (59.18) to 1.

#### NOTE 8 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has an administrative services agreement with the Parent. Pursuant to the agreement, the Parent provides accounting, administrative, office space, human resources and other services. The Parent allocated expenses of approximately \$1,335,305 during the year ended December 31, 2017 to the Company.

#### NOTE 9 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In preparing these financial statements, the Company has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through the date the financial statements were issued.

#### NOTE 10 - GOING CONCERN

The Company has had significant losses from operations since inception and has relied on its Parent to pay its expenses. The Company's failure to generate significant revenues raises doubt about the Company continuing as a going concern. Management continues to search for strategies to generate significant revenue for the Company and expects the Company to continue as a going concern. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on a going-concern basis without adjustments for realization in the event that the Company ceases to continue as a going concern.

# AX TRADING, LLC

# SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

# AX TRADING, LLC SCHEDULE 1

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO SEC RULE 15C3-1 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 DECEMBER 31, 2017

MEMBER'S EQUITY	\$2,718
LESS NON-ALLOWABLE ASSETS	\$(3,091)
NET CAPITAL BEFORE HAIRCUTS	(374)
LESS HAIRCUTS	\$0
NET CAPITAL DEFICIT	\$(374)
REQUIRED NET CAPITAL	\$5,000
NET CAPITAL DEFICIT	\$(5,374)
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	\$22,130
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Reconciliation with AX Trading, LLC computation included in Part II of Form X-17A-5 as of December 31, 2017

There is no significant difference between net capital as reported in Part II of Form X-17a-5 as reported on January 25, 2018, and net capital as reported above.

# AX TRADING, LLC SCHEDULE II

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PURSUANT TO SEC RULE 17A-5 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 DECEMBER 31, 2017

AX TRADING, LLC is exempt from SEC Rule 15c3-3 under paragraph (k)(2)(ii) of the rule, as no customer funds or securities are held.

Therefore, the following reports are not presented:

- 1. Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirement under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- 2. Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements under Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Member of AX Trading, LLC

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Broker Dealers Annual Exemption Report in which (1) AX Trading, LLC identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. § 15c3-3(k) under which AX Trading, LLC claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3: (k)(2)(ii) (the "exemption provisions"); and, (2) AX Trading, LLC stated that AX Trading, LLC met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. AX Trading, LLC's management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about AX Trading, LLC's compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(2)(ii), of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

March 1, 2018 Atlanta, GA

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#### **EXEMPTION REPORT**

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. AX Trading, LLC claimed an exemption from SEC Rule 15c3-3 under the provisions in paragraph (k)(2)(ii) throughout the fiscal year January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.
- 2. AX Trading, LLC met the identified exemption provisions in SEC Rule 15c3-3(k)(2)(ii) throughout the fiscal year January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 without exception.

Kevin Callahan, CEO